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Lower Cook Inlet Salmon Fishery News Release #19

This announcement supersedes only the portion of News Release #18 concerning the Outer District.

OUTER DISTRICT: The following areas will open for 16-hour periods from 6:00 AM until 10:00 PM on Monday, July 30 and Tuesday, July 31,

- -the Koyuktolik (Dogfish) Subdistrict west of the longitude of the mouth of the lagoon channel, (151° 52.72'W. long),
- -the Windy Bay Subdistrict,
- -the Rocky Bay Subdistrict, and
- -the Port Dick Subdistrict <u>excluding</u> waters in Port Dick North Section. The "Port Dick North Section" is defined by emergency order as waters north of a line between 59° 16.10' N. lat, **151**° **06.07'** W. long. and 59° 18.49'N. lat.,151°17.175' W. long.

All anadromous stream closures are in place in these areas. All closed waters as identified in regulation and by markers are in effect.

Commercial fishermen are reminded that all lawfully taken finfish that are retained but not sold ("homepacks") must be reported on a fish ticket at the time of landing. Fish tickets have a not sold/home pack block to report these fish. Halibut are not legal to retain from commercial salmon seines or gillnets because these are not legal gear for halibut.

5 AAC 39.010. Retention of fish taken in a commercial fishery (a) A person engaged in commercial fishing may retain finfish from lawfully taken commercial catch for that person's own use, including for the use as bait in a commercial fishery. Finfish retained under this section may not be sold or bartered. (b) Except as otherwise specified in 5 AAC <u>01</u> - 5 AAC <u>39</u>, a commercial fisherman shall report on an ADF&G fish ticket, at the time of delivery of the commercial catch, the number of steelhead retained from the commercial catch but not sold. For the purposes of this subsection, "delivery" means the offloading of the finfish for sale or for transport to a buyer for later sale.

5 AAC 39.130. Reports required of fishermen, processors, buyers, exporters, and operators of certain commercial fishing vessels; transporting requirements (C)(10) the number of fish of any species retained by a commercial fisherman for personal use as specified in 5 AAC 39.010;

Permit holders are advised that unscheduled announcements based on current escapement data may occur at any time inseason either establishing an additional period or extending an open period.

The next scheduled salmon fisheries announcement is anticipated to be on Wednesday, August 1.

Announcement recordings are available on the 24-hour telephone recording in the Homer office at 907/235-7307. Additionally, announcements, inseason harvest data, and escapement data are available at the following web address: http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=commercialbyarealci.salmon

Unless otherwise specified, all openings are clock openings based on Alaska Daylight Time, which is based on Coordinated Universal Time and may be obtained by calling 303-499-7111.